

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the subject application.

Listing of Claims:

What is claimed is:

Claims 1-22 (canceled)

Claim 23 (Currently Amended): An adapter system to read and operate Smart Cards, said system comprising:

an integrated controller comprising first logic sets for detecting and operating said first expansion card, second logic sets for detecting and operating said second expansion card, MUX logic enabled by said first and/or second logic sets to provide communication between said first and/or second expansion card and a bus controller logic using ~~conventional~~ PCMCIA or CardBus PC card communication protocols; and

an adapter dimensioned to mate with a PCMCIA type II/III socket, said adapter is further dimensioned to receive a Smart Card.

Claim 24 (previously presented): A system as claimed in claim 23, wherein said adapter comprising a circuit and a connector, said circuit is coupled to said connector, said circuit is capable of operating said Smart Card through said socket.

Claims 25-27 (canceled)

Claim 28 (previously presented): A system as claimed in claim 23, said integrated controller further comprising a bus interface to permit said bus controller logic to communicate with a bus.

Claim 29 (Currently Amended): A system as claimed in claim 23, wherein said second logic set detects said second card using ~~conventional~~ PCMCIA or CardBus PC Card signal lines.